



Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DE 20315

Dear Friends,

In the past few months, Congress has made tremendous progress on issues of significance to Wisconsin. President Bush signed into law a Medicare bill that provides seniors with choices when purchasing their prescription drugs, and some much needed savings.

We also see the economy turning around, with more people in Wisconsin having found gainful employment over the last couple of months. Even the manufacturing industry, which is traditionally one of the last sectors of the economy to post positive numbers, has shown improvement, leading to the hire of new employees. This is evidence that the recent tax cuts are working.

Of course, for those who have yet to find a job and don't have health insurance, our nation's progress means little. While America is on the right track, there is clearly more work to be done to ensure that America's best days are ahead of her. This is why I continue to work for you in Congress.

Sincerely,



CONGRESSMAN JIM SENSENBRENNER

Wisconsin Jobs



Congressman Sensenbrenner and Jack Hale at the T.J. Hale plant in Menomonee Falls, discussing jobs, China, and legislation designed to help America's manufacturers.

Saving Wisconsin **Manufacturers**

The manufacturing industry is essential to the strength of our economy. This is why I continue working in Congress to protect Wisconsin's manufacturers from inequitable trade practices that harm the manufacturing industry and cost our state jobs.

My actions in support of manufacturing jobs



Opposed entrance of the US into the World Trade Organization (WTO), and twice supported efforts to pull out of the WTO.



Cosponsored legislation to withdraw normal trade relations with China.



Cosponsored the CHINA Act, which would require the Secretary of the Treasury Department to analyze and report on China's exchange rate.



Regularly supported expanding the scope of the Buy American Act, which requires the federal government to purchase domestic goods.



Member of the Congressional Manufacturing Caucus, so as to better track the status of the manufacturing industry in Wisconsin.



Visited China to personally assess the numerous unfair trade practices of the Chinese, as documented in the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel in its award-winning series entitled: "Made in China: The New Industrial Revolution."

Creating New Jobs

One of the key achievements of this Congress was last year's passage of President Bush's Jobs and Growth Act. This legislation was designed to provide an immediate stimulus to the economy and create more jobs for American workers by lowering marginal income-tax rates, reducing taxes on dividends and capital gains, and providing additional relief for small businesses.

The stimulus is working -- over the past eight months, we have seen more than a million new jobs created in America. In Wisconsin, 36,400 new jobs have been created since December.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Wisconsin's economy is in the midst of a strong recovery, with incomes rising, companies hiring, and new businesses and jobs being created since December 2003.

Providing Safety and Security

The events of September 11, 2001 brought terrorism to our doorstep in a very real and tragic manner. In response, to give our law enforcement the tools they need, the House Judiciary Committee, which I Chair, passed several anti-terrorism bills that were enacted into law. Because of these actions, the wall between agencies such as the FBI and CIA has been broken down. This was helpful in breaking up terrorist rings in Buffalo, Seattle, Portland, Detroit, and Tampa. This also means that people in the Fifth District are safer at home, and as they travel this summer.

Americans have responded with a renewed love for those values we hold dear: freedom, opportunity, and tolerance. Congress and President Bush are continuing to make the war on terrorism a top priority, and we will not stop until the scourge of terrorism is extinguished.

Actions by the House to Increase Safety and Security

USA-PATRIOT Act -- Comprehensive anti-terrorism legislation that provides new tools for law enforcement and improved information sharing among federal agencies to address terrorist threats.

The Enhanced Border Security and Visa Reform Act --

Tightens our border and visa policies by, among other things, requiring the State Department to issue visas and travel documents that are more secure and harder to duplicate.

Implementation Legislation for the International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings and the International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism -Provides the needed legislation to implement treaties the US and dozens of others countries have signed to suppress terrorist bombings and the financing of terrorism.

Establishing a Department of Homeland Security -- Creates a new Department responsible for preventing terrorist attacks and coordinating efforts among first responders and local, state, and federal agencies; Dismantles and overhauls the mismanaged INS and splits up its enforcement and services functions.

How Can I Help?

Problems With Federal Agencies:

Federal agencies can be extremely frustrating to deal with at times. One of the most important jobs I have is assisting my constituents when they are having difficulty with an agency. Some of the agencies my office can help you with include:

Social security Medicare **Veterans** IRS Military **Immigration**

US Service Academy Appointments:

Every year I recommend a select group of high school graduates from my district for admission to one of our nation's Service Academies. If you are interested, call or write the Brookfield office for more information and the proper forms. The deadline for submitting a completed application is October 15, 2004.

Tours and Tourist Attractions:

My staff is pleased to provide a comprehensive list of museums in the Washington, DC area. When you plan on visiting Washington, let us know so we can help with tours of the US Capitol, White House, Supreme Court, and others. Be sure to contact us early for your best chance to get tours.

Speaking Engagements:

I'm available to visit and speak at local schools, clubs, and organizations interested in political issues impacting Wisconsin. Please contact my Brookfield office to schedule a visit.

Capitol Flags:

To purchase an American flag flown over the US Capitol, call my office, or visit my website. There is a limit of three per household.

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Visit my website to learn about my positions on various issues and progress in Congress. It is updated regularly with information on the various constituent services I provide.

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TOWN HALL MEETINGS

June 27, 2004 Thiensville Village Hall

I host scores of Town Hall Meetings and Office Hours to provide you the chance to express your views on the issues before Congress or to help you with problems you may be experiencing in dealing with a federal agency. This newsletter includes my schedule of meetings for the next several weeks, and I invite you to attend one or more of them. Whether you need help or not, I hope you'll stop by to say hello and introduce yourself. Please contact my

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